Thomas Ashby
Croydon, August 20, '67.

Wm. Lloyd. Garrison.

forwarded by A. H. Dymond
whose very old friend (Mr
T. Ashby) asks him to hand
it forwarded.

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Very dear friend

241 Wm. Loyd Garrison.

Thy kind friend, Malleson, of Dunkirk, Still Croydon, left me the parcel. Thou sent so kind as to take charge of, from my dear relations, Wm. Ashby & his daughter of Newbury Port Mas. U.S. America all safe & free every way from injury in the parcel & had 2 notes, one each from Wm. Ashby & A.B. Ashby his daughter. Who speak very highly of thee, but as they say, they need not say much on that head, as thou art so well known in this country, and there are many here who did sincerely sympathize with & for thee in thy labours. They now we may very thankfully believe do rejoice with thee, in this glorious triumph, that Slavery now is entirely and for ever abolished in the U.S. America, it must be also cause of gratitude to thee in particular, as well as thousands of others that the freed Men generally have behaved so well, & in many instances noble. A.B. Ashby in her note to me, says of thee that thou kindly offered to take a little parcel, for me and go and visit me. but I apprehend thy time has been so closely taken up that

I have not had the pleasure and favor
of a visit from thee yet, but I still
hope to receive my visit from thee. I
shall be very glad if this reaches thee,
if thou would kindly write me stat=
-ing a time when I could have an interview
with thee. when I hope we might be
able to arrange a time, that thou
could conveniently pay this little debt,
may I call it. I cannot find thy town
direction but hope this will find
thee by a friend of mine in the Star office
his name is Alfred H. Dymond who if
not the head Manager must be I
think the next. & I hope he will find
~~Thee~~ the proper direction to thee.
I happened not to be at home when thy kind
friend Malleson call[d] and left the parcel
and when I did come home being pres[s]
for time I acknowledged the receipt of it
by note, intend[g] to call on them soon
which I have done, but not so soon as
I had intended, I call[d] — some Week[s] ago
and found the family where at the
Isle of White, for 3 or 4 Week[s]; with very
kind regards I am thy well wishing friend
in the best sense Ashby